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Dear Sir:

The Applicant, through its representatives and attorneys, hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner an English language translation of Japanese Application No. 2000-118554.

The above-identified application is entitled to benefit the filing date of Japanese Application No. 2000-118554. This Japanese Application has a priority date of April 14, 2000.

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Please take this English language translation into account in the examination of this application and make its consideration of record. If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions that could place this application in even better form, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at 202-955-3750.

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